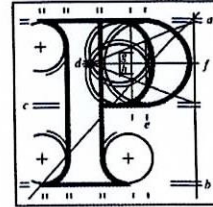


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Ciarán Cuffe MEP
The Tara Building
11-15 Tara Street
Dublin 2

Date: 19 July 2023

Re: Tallaght/Clondalkin to City Centre BusConnect Core Bus Corridor Scheme.
Tallaght/Clondalkin to Dublin City.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above-mentioned proposed road development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

Please note that the proposed road development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it or approved it with modifications.

The Board has also received an application for confirmation of a compulsory purchase order which relates to this proposed road development. The Board has absolute discretion to hold an oral hearing in respect of any application before it, in accordance with section 218 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Accordingly, the Board will inform you in due course on this matter. The Board shall also make a decision on both applications at the same time.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

Niamh Thornton
Executive Officer
Direct Line: 01-8737247

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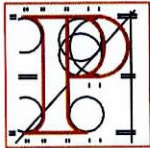
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SEO (Finance)

Authorised By (2)

Chief Officer/Director of Corporate Affairs/SAO/Board
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Date

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29 June 2023

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BusConnects Tallaght/Clondalkin to City Centre Core Bus Corridor

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to have this opportunity to express my support for the Tallaght/Clondalkin to City Centre Core Bus Corridor. The inclusion of traffic calming measures and continuous cycle lanes will help commuters feel safe in making the switch to active travel. In particular, I applaud the focus on improving pedestrians' and cyclists' experiences of interchanges and roundabouts along Dublin's arterial roads. The simplification of the junction at Christ Church Cathedral will also greatly enhance the experience of navigating the city as a pedestrian. I suggest the following minor alterations to ensure the success of this project.

1. The method of separation between road, cycle lane and footpath is unclear throughout the general arrangement drawings. The **national cycle manual should be adhered to** as closely as possible
2. **Adequate bicycle parking** should be provided near the bus interchange in Belgard Square
3. Bicycle parking should also be included elsewhere on the route, especially along the portion inside the Grand Canal. However, this **should not result in narrow footpaths for pedestrians**. Sheffield stands should be parallel to the road if necessary.
4. The existing zipway on Blessington Road could be adorned with greenery
5. It is regrettable that the **cycle lane ends suddenly at the top of Main Street in Tallaght**. To the extent that this is necessary, the lane should feed back onto the road rather than place cyclists in the position of sharing space on the footpath with pedestrians.
6. Signage prohibiting cars on Old Greenhills Road should be clear
7. Floating bus stops throughout the scheme should be deep enough to **accommodate wheelchair boarding**, even if this means moving some stops to wider parts of a given street.
8. On both Dolphin's Barn and Patrick Street there is a divider along a portion of the road where the accompanying footpaths and cycle lanes are quite narrow. These **dividers should be removed** in favour of expanding the active travel infrastructure.
9. Bus stops along Clogher Road should be altered so that passengers don't have to disembark directly into the cycle lane.

Thank you for taking these comments into consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Ciarán Cuffe

MEP for Dublin